The Washington Council for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect is pleased to announce that funding will be available beginning July 1, 2007 for community-based family support and child abuse prevention programs throughout Washington.

Funding Focus

WCPCAN seeks to develop, expand or replicate innovative, researchbased program models. We support four approaches to family support which have proven to be highly effective in reducing child abuse and neglect:

- Home Visiting Services
- Parent Support and Mentoring Programs
- Parent Training and Education Programs
- Crisis Nursery / Respite Services

WCPCAN strongly encourages applications from programs serving families of children aged birth to three. Applications from programs serving communities of color, fathers, and families of children with special needs are also encouraged. Funding is specific to prevention programs. No more than 20% of program participants may be involved with Child Protective Service (CPS).

Protective Factor/Family Support Goals

WCPCAN supports organizations that share our commitment to using outcome measurement and evaluation to improve prevention services. Program services must support parents and caregivers and measure results achieved in at least one of the following protective factor / family support goals:

- Positive nurturing and attachment behaviors
- Knowledge of child development
- Non-punitive discipline and guidance skills
- Responsive social support network
- Stress management
- Effective problem solving skills
- Effective communication skills
- Family life management / self-sufficiency skills

Who Should Apply

WCPCAN provides funding for community-based programs serving Washington State. Funding is available to any private non-profit agency, government entity or faith-based organization.

Funds Available

WCPCAN intends to fund no less than five new programs in 2007. The funding cycle is limited to three years. Programs are evaluated each year to determine continued support. Funding requests must not exceed the following:

First Year: \$50,000 Second Year: \$35,000 Third Year: \$20,000

Programs considered for funding must have matching funds from other sources. This may include other government and foundation grants, private contributions and in-kind donations of space, materials and service. Matching requirements relate to the total program budget (not the WCPCAN request) and are as follows:

First Year: 25%* Second Year: 35% Third Year: 50%

Capacity Building Focus

WCPCAN grantees are required to engage in a process to build evaluation into their program. The goal of these efforts is to increase the effectiveness of prevention services across Washington. To help programs achieve success and sustainability, WCPCAN provides the following to all funded programs:

- Technical assistance for program development
- Outcome and evaluation coaching
- Training opportunities
- Resource and research information
- Marketing and public relations assistance
- Peer-to-peer networking opportunities

How To Apply

Submit a Letter of Intent* that is limited to one cover page, two narrative pages, and one budget summary page. Use no less than 11 point font. Include the following information on the cover page:

Program Name: Mailing Address: Organization Name: Telephone & Fax:

Primary Contact Name: E-mail: Name & Title of Head of Organization: Web Site:

Program Intent and Structure

The following sections must be in your narrative:

- Project description, including methodology and population to be served.
- Relationship of project to child abuse and neglect prevention, including theory or research that supports program design.
- Primary WCPCAN protective factor / family support goal being addressed.
- Provide projected first-year outputs. Include number of families to be served.
- Organization description, including relevant experience in providing prevention services and working with target population. Note any history of previous WCPCAN funding.
- Amount of WCPCAN funding requested. Note the anticipated amount of matching funds in your budget.

WCPCAN believes the capacity of community-based services is enhanced through community involvement. Community volunteers and parents must have meaningful roles in your project.

Application Due Date

The Letter of Intent is due at the WCPCAN office by 4:00 p.m., November 2, 2006. Late applications will not be considered.

Submit six copies by mail to:

Maria Gehl, Grants & Evaluation Director WCPCAN 318 First Ave So, Suite 310 Seattle, WA 98104

^{*} Example: If you are requesting the maximum of \$50,000 for your first year, the minimum match requirement is \$16,667.

Selection Process and Timeline

Dec. 15, 2006 – Finalists selected to complete full application

March 8, 2007 – Final proposals due from finalists

May 31, 2007 - Grant awards announced

WCPCAN has been successful in maintaining a true sense of partnership with their funded programs. Providing comprehensive opportunities to improve services, as well as how to report on the services we provide, has been most valuable for our agency.

- Parent Trust for WA Children, Yakima

In addition to funding, WCPCAN provide programs with knowledge and expertise as we work in partnership with programs to help them achieve improvements on specific indicators linked to child safety and well being. We believe this level of investment is the best means to assure that community-based prevention programs remain sustainable once our funding cycle has ended.

WCPCAN is funded in part through a federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grant (CBCAP).

WCPCAN and our partners agree that no person shall be subjected to discrimination in this agency or its contractors because of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, creed, marital status, disabled veteran status, Vietnam-era veteran status or disability. This applies to every aspect of our programs, practices and activities, as well as to our vendors, grantees, sub-grantees, licensees, contractors and subcontractors. WCPCAN takes pride in our smoke and drug-free environment and one free of discrimination.

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